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NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31

Applicant respectfully appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated April 25, 2006, in which the Office finally rejected claims 1-37 of the above-captioned patent application.

Enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is a Petition to extend the period for replying to the final rejection to October 25, 2006.

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